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SUBJECT: FIVE DIE IN WEEKEND OF TIT FOR TAT KILLINGS AS PEACE
MARCHES GO ON

1. FIVE CIVILIANS DIED IN BELFAST AREA OVER WEEKEND MARKED BY SECTARIAN KILLINGS AND REPRISALS. KILLINGS BEGAN WITH SHOOTING TEENAGED ROMAN CATHOLIC BABY SITTER AT HOME EARLY AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 24. TARGET WAS APPARENTLY CHOSEN BECAUSE IT FIRST HOUSE ON STREET. HOURS LATER GUNMEN RIDDLED PROTESTANT BAR KILLING TWO MEN. SEPTEMBER 25 TEENAGED GIRL SHOT AND KILLED WHEN SHE ANSWERED KNOCK ON DOOR HER HOME SOUTH BELFAST AND ROMAN CATHOLIC MALE SHOT FROM PASSING CAR OUTSIDE OFFICIAL REPUBLICAN DRINKING CLUB NORTH BELFAST SUBURB SAME NIGHT. THERE ALSO TWO NO-WARNING BOMBS IN BUSY PROTESTANT-OWNED GROCERY AND FILLING STATION SEPTEMBER 25.

2. 11 OTHERS WOUNDED OVER WEEKEND. ONE NORTH BELFAST WOMAN CONNECTED WITH PEACE MOVEMENTS MRS. BRIGID MC KENNA, WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED WHEN HIT IN FACE WITH SHOTGUN BLAST EVENING SEPTEMBER 24. IT BELIEVED PROVISIONAL IRA IS GROWING INCREASINGLY

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CONCERNED BY ARREST RATE. OVER PAST MONTH THERE MORE SUSPECTS

CHARGED WITH TERRORIST OFFENSES THAN FOR ANY OTHER SIMILAR PERIOD SINCE TROUBLES BEGAN IN 1969. PROVISIONAL BELFAST BRIGADE HAS WARNED AGAINST PEACE MOVEMENT BECOMING "INFORMERS UNLIMITED", AND THAT, SHOULD ANY "VOLUNTEERS BE MURDERED OR IMPRISONED AS RESULT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN BRITISH CROWN FORCES AND ANY MEMBER OF THE PEACE MOVEMENT THEN THESE INFORMERS MUST BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE CONSEQUENCES."

3. THERE IMPRESSIVE PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS OVER WEEKEND IN DUNGANNON, GREENISLAND AND LARNE. AT LARNE, WITH CATHOLIC POPULATION OF AREA ONLY 500 MAXIMUM, THERE SOME 8000 DEMONSTRATORS. PEACE MOVEMENT FOUNDERS BETTY WILLIAMS AND MAIREAD CORRIGAN HAVE BEEN INVITED BY "PUBLIC BROADCASTING, BUFFALO" TO VISIT UNITED STATES FROM OCTOBER 3. THEY MAY MAKE TELEVISION APPEAL TO STOP CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATIONS. ACCORDING PRESS REPORTS LATE LAST WEEK MRS. WILLIAMS AND MISS CORRIGAN NOMINATED FOR NOBEL PEACE PRIZE BY WEST GERMAN AND NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENTS.
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